

CALIFORNIA.

The North Star, Capt. Jones, arrived on Thursday morning at 3 o'clock from Aspinwall, having left that port at 3 o'clock on the afternoon of the 3d inst., bringing the passengers of the Uncle Sam, which reached Panama at 7 o'clock on the same morning. The down trip of the North Star was accomplished in three days less time than the Star of the West, which left this port on the same day. The latter vessel left Aspinwall 22 hours in advance of the North Star.

FISHERY REPORT.

The steamship North Star left New-York July 20, and reached Aspinwall on the 28th, three days and six hours in advance of the Star of the West. There has been great excitement for some time, owing to the reported discovery of rich Indian graves or "huacas" in Chiriqui, which is now dying out. The English are making great exertions to locate the Paramatta, now lying on the reef sixty miles from St. Thomas. They have thrown overboard almost the entire cargo, and a number of divers are engaged in blowing up the coral rock around and about her. The North Star left Aspinwall on Wednesday, Aug. 3, at 3:30 p. m.

SUMMARY OF THE NEWS.

From Our Own Correspondent.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 15, 1890. The political campaign has fairly commenced in California. Stanford, Curry and Latham, the nominees for Governor, Baker, McKibben, Broderick, Scott and Burch, nominees for Congress, Senator Broderick, and Weller, our present Governor, have all taken the stump, and four of them have announced that they will each make a speech for every day from now until the election on the 5th September. Broderick's speeches have attracted considerable attention on account of the bitterness of his language in referring to the Administration, but I find nothing in them worthy of quoting in a general news letter.

The Republican speakers say in their speeches that as a matter of fact Congress has the power to exclude slavery from the Territories, but that, as a matter of policy, the Republican party is willing to adopt the principle of Popular Sovereignty, in full confidence that whenever the people are permitted to express themselves freely, they will prefer freedom and free labor and white settlers to slavery, slave labor and negroes.

Mr. John Hudson of this city, and formerly of New York, claims to have made an important surgical invention whereby a person with his knee-cap broken transversely may be enabled to walk about and attend to business, with little inconvenience, and with a certainty that the fracture will heal and the joint be as good as ever; whereas, under the practice now prescribed by our standard books the patient has to lie continuously on his back in bed for three or four months, with a probability of having a stiff leg for life. Mr. Hudson broke one of his knee-caps ten days ago, and he is now walking about, to the great astonishment of the surgeons, who express themselves very favorably in regard to the invention.

An examination of that part of the State Prison whence a number of convicts broke out not long since, has shown that when the prisoners were building the cells they laid the stone with special regard to the best plan of breaking through the walls, and buried in the mortar numerous drills, haws, cold chisels, &c. Such discoveries show how admirably the interests of the State are managed over there.

The total amount of the losses by the late fire in Rough and Ready, Nevada County, is estimated at \$75,000. The principal losers are: H. W. Wood, \$12,000; S. M. Gilman, \$3,000; George Gephart, \$4,000; E. Goodman, \$1,000; J. H. Heilshorn, \$3,500; Freemason's Hall, \$5,000.

A fire occurred in the northern part of Crescent City on the 9th inst. Loss \$300,000.

Mr. John Gillan shot a Chinaman for fun a few days since, near San Andres. The wound is thought to be mortal. Gillan is in jail.

The Grand Jury of Klamath County have requested the Indian Superintendent to station some troops near the mouth of Trinity, to protect white men from the "famous depredations" of the Indians. The Northern California, published at Union, Humboldt County, gives the following article side by side with the memorial of the Klamath Grand Jury:

"A few days ago, a young man in Klamath County was killed by an Indian. An Indian attacked a young man, and the young man shot him dead. The Indian youth was afterward arrested, but, as we understand, no evidence can be brought against him but that of the young man, who was killed. Here the matter may rest—for a while. A week or two elapses, and an innocent man drops in the trail, shot from an Indian ambush. The citizens are indignant, and parties scour the country, breathing vengeance on the murderers, forgetting that the robbery is denied by the white men is thus wrought by the same retaliation, at once blind, certain, and unerring."

"Klamath, through her Grand Jury, has found that her citizens have been murdered by savages, and asks the protection of a military force. Many of our men are unprepared to meet the savages, and the same circumstances, the matter becomes grave and serious."

"Of course, we never do wrong. But just let us suppose that some of our Indian disturbances may be done by the same principles of honor that a member of Congress has, or a Jury declares that he should possess. Let us consider that they have the right to defend the chastity of wife or daughter; that they may demand 'an eye for an eye, and a tooth for a tooth' for the life of the man, the name of justice, teach them that civilization carries with it something stronger than simple lust and might."

There are rumors of the discovery of rich gold diggings in Washo Valley, on the eastern slope of the Sierra Nevada. It is also rumored that a rich silver mine has been discovered there. The discovery of a tin mine in Los Angeles County is reported.

The newspapers say that glass-works are to be established in this city.

Michael Dolan and Wm. Rankin, two men employed in the Appraiser's store in this city, have been detected in stealing valuable goods stored there, and have been arrested.

A "bull fight" took place at the Mission Dolores, in the southern part of this city, on the 13th inst. Three bulls were brought into the ring successively. One horse was killed, but the bulls and bull-fighters suffered little damage. The proprietor of the affair has been arrested for cruelty to animals.

Those counties are all north of the Calapooyah Mountains, the southern boundary of the Willa Mettoy Valley, and rumor says that Stout has 550 majority south of the Calapooyah. In any case, the Democrats cannot brag much of the result; last year they had 1,000 majority. They assert, however, that Stout was personally very unpopular, and belonged to an unpopular faction of his party. Of course they must hunt up some excuse to account for their losses.

The water in the Columbia and Willamette has commenced to fall.

A schooner has been towed up over Priest's Rapids, and is to navigate the Columbia River above that point.

A company of United States troops have arrived in the Colville country, and intend to establish a military post about eight miles from the Hudson's Bay post.

It is rumored that the Snake Indians intend to attack Capt. Wallen's expedition, which is to search out a new road to Salt Lake. This rumor does not appear to have any perceptible foundation. It does not specify any particulars, and, therefore, in my opinion, is unworthy of credit. If true, it would be a pretty serious matter.

The wheat crop in Oregon will be very short this year. Flour and potatoes from California are now being imported there.

Gen. Harney has gone round to Puget Sound in the steamer Massachusetts.

bade the firing of fire-crackers, and one boy who violated the order was arrested and fined 75 cents.

The 25th of June, the anniversary of Victoria's coronation, was celebrated by the firing of guns by the British men-of-war in the harbor.

The Victoria Gazette says \$125,250 were sent by express from that place to San Francisco during June last.

A correspondence party, consisting of A. D. Brown, Henry Brown, Nicholas Bailey, Thomas Emory, C. Hanson, Alonzo Newell, Henry McNeill, King C. L. Dorman, and Capt. Torrence, accompanied by some Indians, left Victoria in three large canoes, on the 23d of June, for Queen Charlotte's Island, to hunt for gold.

"The Indians who accompany the party have given them every assurance of friendship and protection, and as an additional pledge for their good faith, have their wives and families living in the same place, and the small number of which the party consists is a sufficient protection, as the Indians at Queen Charlotte will not fear of being attacked by the Indians, but rather treat them as a small party who are paying them a friendly visit."

"Another party was organized with the same destination."

Gov. Douglas has repealed the tax of \$1 on every passenger entering and leaving Fraser River.

The Victoria papers publish favorable rumors from the mines again.

A number of men are employed on the Lillooet-Harrison trail to make a wagon road of it.

We have dates from Honolulu to June 15. The papers are discussing the French treaty again. The Advertiser (Opposition) publishes a long-heralded offer, it beginning as follows:

"At length the Ministers begin to seek and confess the fault and ambiguity of the French treaty. For ever they have been open and discern, a dark cloud hangs slowly and threateningly to the fair complexion of Hawaii. In the late Hawaiian we have an article, evidently emanating from one of His Majesty's Ministers, in which the writer 'As at the time of the treaty, the Ministers knew what it was before it was ratified just as well as now. They advocated it, they fought for it like tigers over their death-struggling victim, and vowed it the only hope of this nation. The louder we sounded the tocsin of alarm, the longer were their speeches in its favor, and the bolder their promises.'"

The Alta of this city says the treaty must lead to the seizure or annexation of the islands by France; but I do not see any such awful end for the affair. The natives have commenced to raise tobacco extensively.

The coffee plantations have been severely injured by worms and bugs.

The following remarks, from The Honolulu Advertiser, on the pulpit (pronounced pool), extensively used in filling mattresses and cushions in California, may interest many of your readers:

"The amounts of pulp shipped from Honolulu from 1851 to 1858 were as follows:

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"Thus the pulp trade has been steadily growing from 12,000 lbs. in 1851, to its present state of about 300,000 lbs. per annum. It is exported principally to San Francisco, but not confined wholly to that port, some being sent to Australia, Vancouver Island, and other places."

Few of our readers, although they hear it frequently, know how pulp is produced. It is found in the fern, a species of the same plant is found in the United States. This plant (it is not a tree) grows on all the high lands, commencing at an elevation of about one thousand feet, and extending up to about five thousand in height, and size frequently attains to about fifteen feet in height. Though found more or less on the five principal islands, the trade in it is confined chiefly to the districts of Hilo, Hamakua and Puna, on Hawaii. The pulp is produced from the stalk, where the leaf or stem shoots out from the base, and is called the 'pulp' of the plant. It is found on each plant, perhaps amounting in weight to two or three ounces. It takes about four years for a plant to produce this amount."

"The number of persons engaged in pulp gathering varies much, including men, women and children, probably from two to three thousand, and the trade is a profitable one, receiving generally from five to six cents per pound on delivery. The labor of gathering pulp is very tedious and slow. The facilities for drying, packing and shipping pulp are improving every year, and the article now shipped away is generally in better condition than when it was first gathered. In fact, it has become reduced to system, and will probably continue, though there can be no great increase in the amount annually exported."

RESCUE OF A BURIED MINER.—Correspondence from Lancha Piana, Amador County, dated June 27, to The San Joaquin Republican, describes the following exciting scene:

"One of those exciting incidents to a mining camp has just transpired. Soon after 2 o'clock this afternoon, word was passed that a miner had been killed, and a man was sent in. The man, a young fellow, was found lying on his back, with his head buried in a pile of earth. He was dead, and his face was as white as a sheet. The miners gathered in crowds to aid in the possible rescue. But was the man dead or alive? If not crushed he must soon suffocate. Signals were made by tapping upon a tin rod, and a man was sent in. The man, a young fellow, was found lying on his back, with his head buried in a pile of earth. He was dead, and his face was as white as a sheet. The miners gathered in crowds to aid in the possible rescue. But was the man dead or alive? If not crushed he must soon suffocate. Signals were made by tapping upon a tin rod, and a man was sent in. The man, a young fellow, was found lying on his back, with his head buried in a pile of earth. 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